

REPORT

CD NO.

DATE OF INFORMATION 1949

DATE DIST. 4 Aug 1949

NO. OF PAGES 4

**SUPPLEMENT TO
REPORT NO.**

THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION

SOURCE Newspapers as indicated.

LATVIAN AND TASHKENT ENTERPRISES IAG
OTHERS REACH 950 GOAL

TASHKENT ENTERPRISES CRITICIZED -- Pravda Vostoka, No 122, 22 Jun 49

More than 300 persons attended a conference on the acceleration of the turnover of working capital called by the Tashkent City Committee of the KP(b) Uzbekistan. It was reported that the Plant named Kaganovich, which had pledged to speed up the turnover of working capital by 31 days and release 2 million rubles of working capital, had slowed the turnover of working capital in the first quarter by 29 days and held up 5.6 million rubles' worth of goods and materials above the plan. This is a result of failing to complete the production plan, raising indebtedness, and holding locomotives and railroad cars in repair 5-8 days beyond the established term.

The "Tashsel'magiz" Plant imeni Voroshilov, having pledged to speed up the turnover of working capital by 7 days against the fourth-quarter 1948 figure of 292.5 days and release 2 million rubles of working capital, has in the first quarter of 1949 slowed the turnover of working capital to 483 days, whereas the plan calls for 122 days.

LATVIAN TECHNOLOGY LAGS -- Sovetskaya Latviya, No 140, 16 Jun 49

Latvian industrial technology lags behind that of the rest of the USSR. For example, the production of a bicycle at the "Sarkana zvaigzne" Plant takes twice as long as it does at the Kharkov Bicycle Plant. Latvia is far behind in foundry production, construction, peat extraction, cotton spinning, and quality of cotton and wool. This backwardness is largely due to the low degree of mechanization of labor and the slow adoption of advanced production methods.

- 1 -

CLASSIFICATION

SECRET

DISTRIBUTION

[illegible]

SECRET

50X1-HUM

Two months ago, the Council of Ministers Latvian SSR adopted a plan for introducing new techniques in Latvian industry. As a consequence, the Ministry of Local Fuel Industry has taken steps to mechanize the extraction of peat. Many Toomare machines have been reconstructed as BEM-2 elevator dredges. One of these machines replaces 20 workers and can lower the net cost of a ton of peat by 5 rubles 30 kopeks.

The Ministry of Local Industry must mechanize the unloading of apatite and the loading of superphosphate. Klarka shovels and bunkers are to be set up at the superphosphate plant to mechanize the unloading of apatite. A second more powerful bucket crane is now being installed and two supplementary mechanical loaders will be installed at the end of June at the superphosphate plant to mechanize loading operations.

The Council of Ministers Latvian SSR called on enterprise directors to mechanize foundry operations in machine-building plants and to use new intraplant transport methods. All enterprises must construct more economical and productive loading and unloading installations.

Plant directors must introduce continuous production methods, precision casting and stamping processes, modern methods of heat treatment of parts, high-speed metal cutting, and electric-spark and anode-mechanical metal treatment.

Scientific research institutions of the Academy of Sciences Latvian SSR must render aid to the various enterprises. Up till now, this has not been carried out. -- Ya. Vel'dre, Deputy Chairman, State Planning Commission, Latvian SSR.

SAMARKAND SECOND UZBEK INDUSTRIAL CENTER -- Izvestiya, No 149, 25 Jun 49

Samarkand is the second largest industrial center in Uzbekistan. Its plants and factories produce silk fabric, cotton fabric, knitted jersey, canned food, tea, wine, leather goods and machine-building and metal-working industry products. Samarkand is also a great cultural center, having 33 primary and secondary schools, 17 technical schools and 5 higher educational institutions.

LATVIAN PLANT COMPLETES FIVE-YEAR PLAN -- Sovetskaya Latvya, No 133, 14 Jun 49

The Five-Year Plan has been completed by the "Yaunaya komunars" Plant both for output of gross production and for assortment. During 4 months of 1949 the plant saved materials worth 113,000 rubles.

NOVOSIBIRSK PLANT IMPROVES FINANCIAL CONDITION -- Sovetskaya Sibir', No 94, 14 May 49

Three years ago, the Novosibirsk Plant imeni Kaganovich lost 31 rubles for every ruble of finished production. In 1948, as a result of a drive against waste of materials and of more efficient utilization of reserves and waste products, the plant began to realize a profit. Labor productivity increased 30.6 percent over 1947 and topped the 1948 plan by 9.9 percent. Savings amounted to nearly 2 million rubles. Shop expenditures per ruble of finished production decreased from 16 kopeks to 12, and from 11 to 8 kopeks in total plant expenditures.

- 2 -

SECRET

SECRET

50X1-HUM

The turnover of working capital invested in raw materials and basic materials has decreased from 111 days in 1946 to 36 days in 1948; in unfinished production, from 96 to 19 days; in finished production, from 49 to 19 days; and in currently-expended auxiliary materials, fuel, packing materials, tools and equipment, etc., from 306 to 92 days. During 1948, the plant decreased costs 26.2 percent over 1947 instead of the planned 14 percent. The plant achieved an accumulation of 7.7 kopeks for each ruble of gross production and 14.4 kopeks for each ruble of finished production. Whereas on 1 January 1948, the plant has a great deficit of working capital, on 1 January 1949, it had nearly one million rubles' surplus of working capital.

At present, the plant is striving to speed working capital turnover by 12 days and thus release 3,200,000 rubles of working capital.

MOSCOW TRUST COMPLETES FIVE-YEAR PLAN -- Vechernyaya Moskva, No 149, 24 Jun 49

The "Mosgormestprom" (Moscow City Local Industry) Trust has fulfilled the Five-Year Plan for volume of production. Eleven enterprises of the trust had completed the plan earlier.

During the period of the plan, average monthly production by the trust increased more than 100 percent in comparison with the prewar figure, and labor productivity rose 130 percent. Above-plan savings resulting from lowering the cost of production amounted to 49.4 million rubles, and the introduction of suggestions for increased efficiency saved the trust about 45 million rubles. The trust put 291 million rubles into the budget of Moscow City.

Introduction of new techniques and competition enabled the trust to raise the output of major products as follows in comparison with the prewar level: gas stoves 750 percent, water-heating tanks 500 percent, ammonia compressors and refrigeration equipment 150 percent, portable typewriters 200 percent, and enameled metal dishware 15 percent.

ENTERPRISES COMPLETE HALF-YEAR PLAN -- Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 147, 24 Jun 49

The Shatura Peat Trust (head, Samkov) of Ministry of Electric Power Plants completed the half-year plan 20 June for peat extraction. The Tugolesskoye enterprise of the trust has already completed the season plan for peat-extraction. The Petrovsko-Kobelevskoye, Bakzhayev, Osanovo-Dubovoye, Ryazancvskoye, and Yegor'yevsk enterprises of the trust have finished the half-year plan.

The Moscow "Mosshtamp" Plant of Ministry of Local Industry RSFSR completed the half-year plan 15 June.

The Novo-Noginsk Weaving and Finishing Factory finished the half-year plan two weeks ahead of schedule.

The Plant imeni Kosyakov (director, Ivchenkov), the Kudinovskiy Carbon-Black Plant (director, Chernov), and the Khlebnikovskiy Brick Plant (director, Barynin) have completed the half-year plan.

- 3 -

SECRET

SECRET

50X1-HUM

Monkorskiy Bol'shevik, No 148, 25 Jun 49

The following plants have completed the 1949 6-month plan ahead of schedule: Podol'sk Cement Plant (director, Gugin), Nikol'sk Brick Plant (director, Khaysin), Shchurovo Cement Plant (director, Bogomolov), Peski Lime Plant (director, Novoprudskiy), Pavlovo-Posad Ceramics Plant (director, Kostyunin), Ukhomskiy Chemical-Machine-Building Plant (director, Volgin), Perovo Mosenergo (Moscow Power) Plant (director, Naumov), "Elektroshchit" (Electric Switchboard) Plant (director, Kolobov), Demikhovskiy Plant (director, Zudin).

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 149, 26 Jun 49

The following Moscow area plants have completed the 6-month plan ahead of schedule:

Electric lamp plant (Tsvetkov, director), Kosino Knitted Wear Factory (Kovarskaya, director), ATE-1 Automobile Electrical Equipment Plant (Elektromekhanicheskiy zavod) (Krupchatnikov, director), "Mashinostroitel" Plant (Rozenov, director), Yegor'yevsk Sewing Factory (Sokolinskaya, director), "Parizhskaya Kommuna" Show Factory (Medvedev, director), "Burevestnik" Show Factory (Loginov, director), "Sherst'-sukno" (Wool Cloth) Factory (Korenkov, director), Carburetor plant (Pimkov, director).

"Osvoobozhdenyy trud" Factory (Artyukhina, director), Chemical-Pharmaceutical Plant imeni L. Ya. Karpova (Mayorov, director), Khot'kovo Electrical Insulation Materials Plant (Krestov, director), "Kardolenta" (Card Clothing) Factory (Maduntsev, director), Perovo Mechanized Plant (Mekhanicheskiy zavod) (Zhukov, director), Polygraphic Factory of Kirovskiy Rayon Local Industry Trust (Morikin, director), and Experimental Spinning and Weaving Factory imeni Okt'yabr'skaya Revolyutsiya (Babashkin, director).

PLANTS PLEDGE TO AID LIVESTOCK FARMS -- Leningradskaya Pravda, No 144, 21 Jun 49

The following plants of Moskovskiy and Sverdlovskiy rayons of Leningrad have pledged to help livestock-raising farms of Leningrad and Leningrad Oblast with water supply and mechanical equipment:

"Elektrosila" Plant imeni S. M. Kirov (director, Mukhin), Plant imeni Yegorov (director, Kolesnikov), "Skorokhod" Factory (director, Bel'skiy), Leningrad Meat Combine (director, L'vov), Carburetor plant (director, Okun'), "Gosmetr" Plant (director, Spiridonov), "Krole'arskaya Pobeda" Factory No 2 (director, Zharov), Electrical Machinery plant (director, Tuffit), "Nefttekip" Plant (director, Vayner), "Glavneftegasset'stroy" Plant (director, Asin), "Reduktor" Plant (director, Luk'yanov), asbestos plant (director, Zuyev).

Factory imeni Anisimov (director, Kruglov), "Krasnyy metallist" Plant (director, Kotlyarov), "Elektroapparat" Plant (director, Kozlovskiy), "Pnevmatika" Plant (director, Ivanov), Plant imeni Kotlyakov (director, Kochkin), Plant imeni Molotov (director, Saf'yants), "Sevzhabel" Plant (director, Bykov), Factory imeni Vera Slutskaya (director, Sokolov), "Metalloizdeliy" Plant (director, Shefter), "Mekhanobr" Plant (director, Neustroyev), Plant imeni Radishchev (director, Salamanov).

- E N D -

- 4 -

SECRET